UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff/Respondent,

Criminal Case No. 12-cr-20225 Civil Action No. 16-cv-13291

Paul D. Borman

United States District Judge

CHARLENE JANSEN,

v.

R. Steven Whalen

United States Magistrate Judge

Defendant/Petitioner.

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ORDER ADOPTING REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION AND DENYING DEFENDANT/PETITIONER'S MOTIONS BROUGHT PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. §3553 AND 28 U.S.C. §2255

On July 2, 2019, Magistrate Judge R. Steven Whalen issued a Report & Recommendation (ECF#298) in which he recommended that Defendant's Motion for Reduction of Sentence pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3553(a)(2)(D) (ECF No. 276), and her Motion to Vacate, Set Aside or Correct Sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §2255 (ECF No. 291) be DENIED.

In the Report and Recommendation, the parties were advised that any objections must be filed within fourteen days of service of a copy as provided for in 28 U.S.C. 636(b)(1) and E.D. Mich. LR 72.1(d)(2) and that failure to file specific objections constitutes a waiver of any further right of appeal.

When a district judge enters a final order which is adverse to a defendant in a § 2255 action, it must also issue or deny a certificate of appealability. See Rule 11 of the Rules Governing Section 2255 Proceedings; see also 28 U.S.C. §2253(c)(1)(B) (prohibiting defendant from appealing final order in § 2255 proceeding unless court issues certificate of appealability); Fed. R. App. P. 22(b)(same). A certificate of appealability may be issued only if the defendant has "made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right." 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2). In order to satisfy this burden, the defendant must establish "that reasonable jurists could debate whether (or, for that matter, agree that) the petition should have been resolved in a different manner or that the issues presented were 'adequate to deserve encouragement to proceed further." Slack v. McDaniel, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000). Thus, a petitioner - such as Perez-Aldana - must demonstrate that reasonable jurists would find the assessment of the constitutional claims by this Court to be debatable or wrong. Id.

In light of the facts of this case, and the excellent Report and Recommendation issued by Magistrate Judge Whalen, when considered with settled and controlling precedent of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, reasonable jurists would not find the resolution of the constitutional issues that have been raised by Defendant/Respondent Jansen to be debatable or wrong. Therefore, the Court denies a certificate of appealability to Defendant/Respondent Jansen.

There having been no timely objections filed, the Court

- (1) ACCEPTS the magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation (ECF No. 298);
- (2) DENIES Defendant's Motion for Reduction of Sentence pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3553(a)(2)(D) (ECF No. 276), and her Motion to Vacate, Set Aside or Correct Sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §2255 (ECF No. 291)
 - (3) DENIES a certificate of appealability.

SO ORDERED.

s/Paul D. Borman
PAUL D. BORMAN
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated: July 31, 2019